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REPORTS

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE

TOWN OF CHATHAM

FOR THE YEAR

1907.

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CHATHAM MONITOR PRINT:

E. T. BEARSE, MANAGER.

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TOWN OF CHATHAM  
Incorporated June 11, 1712.

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# TOWN OFFICERS

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FOR THE YEAR 1907.

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SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF POOR.

Meriton E. Nickerson, Alvin Z. Atkins  
Nathaniel A. Eldridge.

TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER.

Alfred C. Harding.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Erastus T. Bearse,	Term expires 1908
Edmund Z. Ryder,	“ “ 1909
Benjamin H. Buck,	“ “ 1910

SUPERINTENDENT.

Frank H. Hill.

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

Timothy K. Stearns,	Term expires 1908
Oscar E. Howard,	“ “ 1909
George H. Nickerson,	“ “ 1910

CONSTABLE.

Augustus W. Baker.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

George H. Nickerson.

## ROAD COMMISSIONERS.

Jonathan Eldridge,	Term expires 1908
Edmund Y. Hammond,	" " 1909
John K. Kendrick, Jr.,	" " 1910

## FIELD DRIVERS.

Sylvanus E. Bearse,	Charles R. Nickerson,
F. M. Allen,	Solomon C. Atwood.

## POUND KEEPER.

L. N. Doane.

## FENCE VIEWERS.

F. M. Allen,	Charles R. Nickerson,
Oliver E. Eldredge.	

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK AND SURVEYORS  
OF LUMBER.

David W. Edwards,	J. A. Martell.
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## SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Erastus T. Bearse.

## FOREST FIRE WARDENS.

Barzillai Eldridge,	George W. Ryder,
George H. Nickerson.	

## INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS AND PROVISIONS.

Willis S. Bearse.

## AUDITOR OF ACCOUNTS.

George W. Bloomer.

## TREE WARDEN.

George B. Bassett.

## JANITORS TOWN HALL.

James C. Berry,	James S. Hamilton.
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## SINKING FUND COMMISSIONERS.

Heman A. Harding,	Term expires 1908
Meriton E. Nickerson,	" " 1909
Oliver E. Eldredge,	" " 1910

# REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

## COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

Comparative Statement of Statistics relating to Taxation for the years 1906 and 1907 :

	1906	1907
Real estate assessed,	\$841,977 00	\$912,865 00
Personal estate assessed,	155,275 00	190,635 00
Total valuation,	997,252 00	1,103,500 00
Increase in valuation over 1906,		206,248 00
Total amount assessed for state, county and town purposes,	14,534 92	14,860 20
Rate on \$1,000,	13 50	12 50
Total number polls assessed,	536	533
“ acres assessed,	5,724	5,625 $\frac{3}{4}$
“ dwellings assessed,	613	620
“ residents assessed,	630	635
“ non-residents assessed,	210	203
“ persons assessed,	975	972
Value of property assessed non-residents,	\$273,844 00	\$306,985 00
Amount of taxes paid by non-residents,	3,696 99	3,838 46
Proportion of taxes paid by non-residents,	25 + per cent.	25 + per cent.

## TOWN HALL EXPENSES.

James C. Berry, janitor's services and agent,	\$23 00	
James S. Hamilton, janitor's services and agent,	77 00	
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F. M. Allen, fuel,	\$3 50	
Cyrenus Ellis, fuel,	13 50	
D. C. Harding, fuel,	9 00	
	<hr/>	26 00
A. L. Howland, labor,		2 50
E. C. Nickerson, bill of pump,		65 73
Eldredge Bros., supplies,		5 95
O. C. Nickerson, supplies,		23 51
S. C. Doane, supplies,		7 93
John H. Nickerson, labor and supplies,		15 00
Ernest Doane, supplies,		6 50
Joshua A. Nickerson, supplies,		6 40
T. J. Mahan, tuning piano,		3 00
L. S. Atwood, supplies,		2 45
D. E. Howes, supplies,		36
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		\$265 33

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RECEIPTS FROM TOWN HALL.

Receipts from Town Hall,	\$349 68
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## TOWN OFFICERS.

Appropriated,	\$1,300 00
Meriton E. Nickerson, salary as Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor,	\$225 00
Alvin Z. Atkins, salary as Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor,	225 00
Nathaniel A. Eldridge, salary as Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor,	225 00
George H. Nickerson, Tax Collector, (1906), (1907),	255 44
A. W. Baker, posting warrants,	25 00
T. K. Stearns, salary as Registrar of Voters,	12 50
Oscar E. Howard, salary as Registrar of Voters,	12 50
George H. Nickerson, salary as Registrar of Voters,	12 50
Jonathan Eldridge, salary as Road Commissioner,	5 00
E. Y. Hammond, salary as Road Commissioner,	5 00
John K. Kendrick, Jr., salary as Road Commissioner,	5 00
O. C. Nickerson, Moderator annual meeting,	10 00
Alfred C. Harding, services as Clerk annual town meeting, 1907,	5 00
Alfred C. Harding, salary as Town Clerk and Treasurer,	175 00
Alfred C. Harding, salary as Registrar of Voters,	19 50
Alfred C. Harding, recording births, marriages and deaths,	35 95
George W. Bloomer, salary as auditor,	50 00

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\$1,303 39

## INSURANCE TOWN'S BUILDINGS.

Appropriated,	\$75 00
C. A. Freeman, Town Hall, extra,	\$12 50
E. T. Bearse, Town Hall, extra,	10 00
E. T. Bearse, Town Hall,	33 00
E. T. Bearse, Town Hall,	32 40
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	\$87 90

## TOWN MISCELLANEOUS.

Appropriated,	\$500 00
L. E. Eldridge, rent Village Hall, (1906), (1907),	\$2 00
A. W. Kendrick's bill,	4 00
Alfred C. Harding, bill bond,	33 00
E. Z. Ryder, election officer,	5 00
C. G. Watts, election officer,	7 50
B. L. Jones, election officer,	5 00
George N. Bearse, election officer,	2 50
J. Clement Eldridge, election officer,	2 50
Charles A. Howes, election officer,	2 50
F. B. & F. P. Goss, printing town reports,	80 95
M. E. Nickerson's bill,	30 90
Seth W. Hammond's bill,	3 25
James C. Berry, placing voting booths,	8 00
W. L. Nickerson's bill,	29 01
L. W. D. Eldridge, election officer,	2 50
Samuel G. Harding, election officer,	2 50
Erastus T. Bearse, election officer,	2 50
Willis S. Bearse, election officer,	2 50



P. B. Murphy, bill printing,	\$2 60
Willis S. Bearse, account cattle inspection,	40 00
Erastus T. Bearse, bill,	16 98
A. W. Brownell, bill printing,	5 45
J. C. Eldridge, bill,	4 00
Andrew F. Sherman, abstract book,	10 00
A. L. Howland, bill,	5 00
N. A. Eldridge, bill,	19 75
A. Z. Atkins, bill,	26 00
George H. Nickerson, bill,	20 12
J. L. Fairbanks, bill,	6 50
George H. Eldridge, bill,	1 40
Thomas Groom & Co., bill,	1 50
Young Bros., bill,	1 25
Alton P. Goss, bill,	3 00
Waterman & Leavitt, bill,	19 00
O. C. Nickerson, bill,	3 38
A. W. Baker, bill,	2 50
Eldredge Bros., bill,	12 50
James F. Clark, election officer,	2 50
George B. Bassett, election officer,	2 50
Oscar M. Gould, election officer,	2 50
M. W. Howard, election officer,	2 50
C. W. Kelley, election officer,	2 50
W. R. Taylor, bill,	1 50
M. W. Howard, bill,	18
Charles Bassett, bill,	1 00
J. A. Nickerson, bill,	1 50
F. B. & F. P. Goss, bill,	24 00
Alfred C. Harding, bill,	17 46

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\$485 18

## TAX ABATEMENTS.

Appropriated, \$50 00

## Soldiers' Abatements, 1906 Tax.

Isaiah W. Bassett,	1906,	\$13 48
Joseph N. Bloomer,	"	15 50
Francis Brown,	"	4 84
Richard F. Corkish,	"	15 50
Russell W. Gifford,	"	5 98
Harrison F. Gould,	"	8 41
Henry F. Green,	"	10 64
Est. Francis B. Rogers,	"	13 50
Aaron W. Snow,	"	3 35
George A. Taylor,	"	15 50
Charles Mullett,	"	15 50
Henry Mallows,	"	6 08
James S. Hamilton,	"	15 50
George W. Wiley,	"	13 50
Samuel Hawes,	"	15 50
Louisa Emery,	"	3 98

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\$176 76

## Abatements, 1906 Tax.

Alonzo F. Cahoon, no personal,	\$72 71
Nehemiah Cahoon, blind,	2 07
David W. Edwards, old age,	6 75
Walter I. Hammond, poll, out of town,	2 00
James T. Howes, poll, paid elsewhere,	2 00
Chester A. Kendrick, poll, out of town,	2 00
Sarah T. Baker, no property,	1 55
Richard Smith, old age,	16 74

Warren A. Ellis, out of town,	\$2 00
Simeon A. Nickerson, old age,	2 00
Est. Thomas Mayo, unable to pay,	1 15
Benjamin Mallows, poll, dead,	2 00
Abner H. Sparrow, poll, dead,	2 00
Anthony E. Thacher, poll, away from town,	2 00
George L. Young, no property,	8 75
Arthur F. Wade, no property, moved away,	40 50
William Smith, exemption,	5 05
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	\$171 27

#### Abatements, 1907.

Arthur F. Folger, no property,	\$2 50
E. N. Hawes & Co., overtaxed,	3 75
Est. William Smith, exemption,	7 31
Thomas S. Arey, poll,	2 00
Sylvester Small, overtaxed,	3 12
Island Bog Cranberry Co., E. N. Hawes, agent,	
overvalued,	2 00
Reuben C. Kelley, overtaxed,	3 75
Frank E. Hamilton, poll, paid in Boston,	2 00
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	\$26 43

#### OUTSIDE POOR.

Appropriated,	\$1,400 00
Mrs. Edward E. Harding and child :	
Monthly aid,	\$56 50

Mrs. Didama Eldridge :	
Monthly aid,	\$156 00
Mrs. Priscilla Stetson :	
Weekly aid,	193 33
Mrs. J. C. Small :	
Account board for Mrs. Hannah Burgess, Mrs.	
Abigail Lewis, including supplies and medi-	
cal attendance,	334 64
Edward G. Harding :	
Supplies and house rent,	83 49
Nathaniel Small :	
Board, supplies and medical attendance,	146 99
Caroline Stearns :	
Quarterly aid,	104 00
John C. Eldridge :	
Weekly aid,	156 00
Paulina Eldridge :	
Supplies,	12 00
Mrs. Clarence Hammond :	
Weekly aid,	103 30
Samuel G. Eldridge :	
Weekly aid,	36 00
Louisa Patterson :	
Aid,	13 00
Stephen B. Ellis :	
Account city of Boston,	71 43
Mrs. Samuel Olson :	
Aid,	27 00

Orick Robbins :

Account Caleb F. Nickerson, burial expenses, \$20 00

Gideon H. Varney :

Town of Wellfleet, 1906, \$27 62

“ “ “ 1907, 80 04

Mass. Gen. Hospital, 1907, 14 00

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\$121 66

Board and clothing, 191 35 313 01

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\$1,826 69

Oliver Ansphar :

Aid and medical attendance, \$135 00

Reimbursed by town of Middleboro.

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### LIST OF JURORS.

N. B. Small,	Painter
Mervyn Martin,	Laborer
Barzillai Eldridge,	Laborer
Cyrus W. Kelley,	Auctioneer
George B. Bassett,	Fisherman
Collins E. Howes,	Laborer
William Watts,	Retired
Herman Taylor,	Carpenter
Joseph D. Bloomer,	Fisherman
Stephen W. Gould,	Retired Sea Captain

Osborn Nickerson,	Postmaster
Jonathan T. Sparrow,	Shoemaker
Nathaniel Kendrick,	Retired Sea Captain
Samuel G. Harding,	Retired
Levi W. D. Eldridge,	Cranberry Grower
George H. Nickerson,	Cranberry Grower
Edmund Y. Hammond,	Laborer
Alfred C. Harding,	Merchant
Alonzo F. Cahoon,	Sea Captain
Benjamin H. Kendrick,	Mariner
Levi S. Atwood,	Merchant
Ephraim Smith,	Retired
Augustus W. Baker,	Fisherman
George W. Ryder,	Cranberry Grower
Ebenezer N. Hawes,	Cranberry Grower
Charles R. Nickerson,	Laborer

MERITON E. NICKERSON,  
ALVIN Z. ATKINS,

*Selectmen of Chatham.*



## ESTIMATES FOR 1908.

The Board of Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of Poor respectfully submit the following estimates for the expenses of the several departments of the town for the ensuing year :

Almshouse and Outside Poor,	\$1,600 00	1520
Town Officers,	1,500 00	1320
Town Miscellaneous,	550 00	480
Interest,	1,250 00	1200
Eldredge Public Library,	100 00	100
Abatement of Taxes,	200 00	200
Soldiers' Aid,	225 00	210
Suppression of Crime,	75 00	50
Shellfish,	25 00	25
State Aid (reimbursed),	800 00	800
Gypsy Moth,	50 00	40
Shipwrecked Sailors (reimbursed),	100 00	100
Insurance Town's buildings,	100 00	100
Military Aid,	25 00	x
Town Hall grounds,	25 00	25
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	\$6,625 00	

Estimates for schools for the year 1908 as submitted by the School Board :

Superintendent,	\$533 28	4
Supervision,	225 00	N
Teachers,	3,500 00	4000

Janitors,	\$350 00
Books and Supplies,	250 00
Fuel,	250 00
Music and Drawing,	130 00
Miscellaneous,	250 00
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	\$5,488 28

Road purposes—Submitted by Road Commissioners.

Respectfully submitted,

MERITON E. NICKERSON,

ALVIN Z. ATKINS,

*Selectmen of Chatham.*

## LOVELAND FUND.

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### Report of the Trustees :

#### RECEIPTS.

1907.

April and Oct.	C. C. Savings Bank, dividends,	\$85 78
April	Boston F. C. Savings Bank, dividend,	22 45
	Home Savings Bank, dividend,	21 92
May and Nov.	Union Inst. for Savings, dividends,	50 14
Jan. and July	East Boston Savings Bank, dividends,	54 78
May and Nov.	Interest on B. W. & R. St. Ry. Bond,	50 00
Jan. and July	Interest on G. D. & N. St. Ry. Bond,	50 00
Dec.	Interest on loans to Town of Chatham,	370 70
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		\$705 77

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#### PAYMENTS AND INVESTMENTS.

1907.

Deposited in C. C. Savings Bank,	\$141 67
“ in Union Inst. for Savings,	50 14

Town Treasurer, interest on loans, Aug. 23.	\$370 70
Balance of Income, loaned to town.	85 84
Oliver E. Eldredge, Trustee,	15 00
Alvin Z. Atkins, Trustee,	15 00
Chas. Bassett, expenses to Boston,	7 42
Chas. Bassett, Trustee,	20 00
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	\$705 77

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SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS, Dec. 31, 1907.

Cape Cod Savings Bank, book No. 9961,	\$1,428 61
Cape Cod Savings Bank, book No. 11528,	819 03
Union Inst. for Savings,	1,291 34
One B. W. & R. Street Railway Bond,	1,000 00
One G. D. & N. Street Railway Bond,	1,000 00
Note of Town of Chatham, due Sept. 1st, 1907,	6,000 00
Note of Town of Chatham, dated Aug. 23, 1907,	3,821 22
Bal. of Note Town of Chatham, dated Jan. 1, '97,	2,626 81
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	\$17,987 01

The net income from Investments other than loans to the town is \$277.65, and this amount has been credited on the Town note.

CHAS. BASSETT,  
OLIVER E. ELDREDGE,  
ALVIN Z. ATKINS,

*Trustees of Loveland Fund.*

Approved :

GEO. W. BLOOMER,

*Auditor.*

## ROAD COMMISSIONERS' REPORT.

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### TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1907.

Stone Road at Thayer's Hill,	\$1,200 00
General repairs,	800 00
Repairs on Stone Road,	125 00
Sidewalks,	100 00
Clearing snow,	330 57
A. H. Bearse road,	120 00
Bulkhead near Mary Stuart's land,	50 00
Stone Road near South Chatham depot,	250 00
Stone Road between boulevard and Thayer's Hill,	455 00
Bulkhead near residence of Frank Tinkham,	250 00
J. C. Ryder, land damage at Thayer's Hill,	25 00
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	\$3,705 57

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### EXPENDITURES.

Stone Road at Thayer's Hill,	\$1,200 00
General repairs,	799 98
Repairs on Stone Road,	125 00



Sidewalks,	\$100 00
Clearing snow,	330 57
A. H. Bearse road,	117 66
Bulkhead near Mary Stuart's land,	37 70
Stone Road near South Chatham depot,	250 00
Stone Road between boulevard and Thayer's Hill,	454 70
Bulkhead near residence of Frank Tinkham,	
J. C. Ryder, land damage at Thayer's Hill,	25 00
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	\$3,440 61

JONATHAN ELDREDGE,

E. Y. HAMMOND,

JOHN K. KENDRICK, JR.,

*Road Commissioners.*

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## GUIDE BOARDS.

Guide Boards are maintained at the following places :

Near E. M. Eldredge's store, South Chatham ; near L. N. Doane's residence, West Chatham ; N. E. Kendrick's corner, Chatham ; at North Chatham near A. W. Baker's residence ; and at D. H. Crowell's corner, Chathamport ; also one near Chathamport schoolhouse ; one at Orick Nickerson's corner, Chathamport ; S. D. Clifford's corner ; and one near Elijah Nickerson's, Chathamport.

## ROAD COMMISSIONERS' ESTIMATE FOR 1908.

The Road Commissioners respectfully submit the following estimates for roads, sidewalks, etc., of the town for the ensuing year :

Stone Road,	\$10,000 00
General repairs,	800 00
Repairs on Stone Roads,	175 00
Clearing snow,	250 00
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	\$11,225 00

JONATHAN ELDREDGE,

E. Y. HAMMOND,

JOHN K. KENDRICK, JR.,

*Road Commissioners of Chatham.*

I have this day examined the foregoing accounts and find them correct as per vouchers.

GEO. W. BLOOMER, *Auditor.*

Chatham, Jan. 3, 1908.

# REPORT OF CHATHAM RAILROAD COMMITTEE.

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Report of the Committee elected by the Town of Chatham in the annual Town Meeting of 1907, to represent its interests in the affairs of the Chatham Railroad Company.

As a committee elected at the annual Town Meeting, held Feb. 4 and 5, 1907, to represent the shares of stock owned by the Town of Chatham, at all stockholders' meetings of the Chatham Railroad Company, we submit the following report:

Your committee have attended all the meetings of said corporation; have voted therein upon the shares of stock owned by the Town; and in all matters pertaining thereto, have carried out the policy of the Town as it seemed to your committee for the best interests of the Town of Chatham, and of the Chatham Railroad Company.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSHUA A. NICKERSON,  
DANIEL W. NICKERSON,  
HEMAN A. HARDING,

*Chatham Railroad Committee.*

## AUDITOR'S REPORT.

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In compliance with the law, I herewith submit my eighth annual report of the financial condition of the town, together with the receipts and disbursements of the town for the year ending Dec. 31, 1907:

I have examined the accounts of the fund held in trust and find the securities on hand and the statement of income and disbursements correctly stated.

The books of the Treasurer have been examined, the cash on hand verified, and they have been found correct.

The accounts of the Road Commissioners have been examined and they have been found correct, agreeing with the amounts paid to them by the Treasurer.

The accounts of the School Board have been examined and I find them correct and supported with proper vouchers.

I have examined the books of the Collector, verifying his receipts and amounts paid by him to the Treasurer, and they have been found correct, taking into consideration the amount of unpaid taxes of this date. The unpaid taxes Dec. 31, 1907, agree with the amounts called for by the Assessors' books.

It is a pleasure to report that the financial prosperity of the Town has continued. As your Auditor it has been my earnest effort to be faithful and attentive to duty, and I have responded to every call officially made upon me.

I have received kind words and courteous treatment from

all those with whom I have had official business and I am under many obligations to all for kindnesses and courtesies extended me.

Trusting my work as your Auditor will meet with your approval, I am

GEO. W. BLOOMER, *Auditor.*

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### INTEREST.

#### Paid Interest on Notes and Town Bonds :

Jan. 11.	\$26.00	on acct. State Highway, 1906.
Feb. 27.	365.00	“ Town Bonds.
Mar. 16.	8.38	“ State Highway, 1906.
May 14.	80.80	“ “ “ “
Sept. 1.	360.00	“ Town Bonds.
Oct. 1.	25.00	“ note dated April 2.
Nov. 7.	25.00	“ “ “ May 7.
Nov. 29.	118.75	“ Mitchell River Bridge.
Dec. 4.	25.00	“ note dated June 4.
Dec. 27.	37.50	“ “ “ June 28.
Dec. 31.	37.50	“ “ “ July 8.
Dec. 31.	5.14	“ “ “ June 4.

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\$1,114.07

## SUPPRESSION OF CRIME.

Appropriation,	\$50 00
Feb. 7, paid Chas. H. Olson, special,	\$18 00
June 19, paid Chas. H. Olson,	4 00
July 9, paid Chas. H. Olson, Fourth of July,	3 00
July 16, paid A. W. Baker, “	3 00
Dec. 2, paid Chas. H. Olson,	7 00
Dec. 30, paid Jonathan Eldredge,	3 00
Dec. 30, paid Jonathan Eldredge, services	
Chas. Train case by order of the court,	19 26
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Received on account Suppression of Crime 2d District  
Court fines :

April 1, Wendell Eldredge case,	\$20 00
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## SHIPWRECKED SAILORS.

Paid on account of Shipwrecked Sailors,	\$26 80
Received from Treasurer Commonwealth,	4 10
Balance to be reimbursed.	

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## TOWN HALL RECEIPTS.

Feb. 16,	\$35 00
Mar. 22,	11 00
Apr. 1,	6 00



May 6,	\$41 50
June 4,	13 00
July 5,	33 00
Aug. 10,	50 50
Sept. 6,	43 00
Nov. 5,	16 00
Dec. 19,	71 50
Dec. 27,	11 34
Dec. 31,	17 84
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Expended,	\$349 68
	265 33
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Unexpended,	\$84 35

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### TEMPORARY LOANS.

To cash from C. C. F. C. S. Bank on Notes for Town purposes in anticipation taxes year 1907, rate of interest 5 per cent. :

Note dated April 2,	\$1,000 00
“ May 7,	1,000 00
“ June 4, (paid)	1,000 00
“ June 28, (paid)	1,500 00
“ July 10, (paid)	1,500 00
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	\$6,000 00

To cash from C. C. F. C. S. Bank on a note dated May 29, 1907, amount \$5,000.00 on account Mitchell River Bridge to be paid in anticipation of taxes, years 1907-1908-1909-1910-1911, rate of interest  $4\frac{3}{4}$  per cent.

To cash from the Loveland Fund on a note dated August 23, 1907, amount, \$3,821.22 on account Town's R. R. Bonds coming due Sept. 1, 1907; amount of bonds \$12,000.00, balance or \$8,178.78 was paid from the Sinking Fund, which expired Sept. 1, 1907. The above note, \$3,821.22, is without interest by vote of the Town.

To cash from C. C. F. C. S. Bank on account State Highway note dated Sept. 27, 1907, amount \$14,000.00, rate of interest 5 per cent. To be reimbursed less the interest.

To cash from C. C. F. C. S. Bank on account Stone Road leading southwest from Thayer's Hill (so called) to the new State Highway, note dated Nov. 27, 1907, amount \$455.00, to be paid from the taxes 1908, rate of interest 6 per cent.

To cash from C. C. F. C. S. Bank on a note dated Sept. 23, 1907, amount \$250.00 on account new Stone Road leading from South Chatham Depot to Main Road, to be paid from the taxes year 1908, rate of interest 6 per cent.

Total amount notes given,	\$29,526 22
Loveland Fund note shown in Sinking	
Fund account,	3,821 22
Treasurer's Cash Book showing,	<u>\$25,705 00</u>

## SELECTMEN'S TOWN ORDERS.

Selectmen's Town Orders, for the year ending Dec. 31,

1907, showing requisitions, dates and amounts as paid by  
Alfred C. Harding, Town Treasurer :

Requisition No. 1, Feb. 9, mixed order,	\$334 23
"    No. 2, Feb. 13, Treasurer's Bonds, Sinking Fund and Town,	33 00
Requisition No. 3, Feb. 18, mixed order,	89 50
"    No. 4, March 4,   "    "	311 46
"    No. 5, March 8,   "    "	113 53
"    No. 6, April 2,   "    "	407 19
"    No. 7, April 9,   "    "	62 35
"    No. 8, May 7, E. R. Taylor Co., M. R. Bridge, \$425.00, balance mixed,	915 80
Requisition No. 9, May 15, account Mrs. Caleb Nickerson,	20 00
Requisition No. 10, May 28, Taylor, \$1,700.00, T. S. Arey, \$832.63 ; balance mixed,	2,926 71
Requisition No. 11, June 4, mixed order,	391 20
"    No. 12, June 22,   "    "	47 75
"    No. 13, June 25,   "    "	642 80
"    No. 14, July 2,   "    "	365 44
"    No. 15, July 2, Mitchell River Bridge,	186 05
Requisition No. 16, July 10, mixed order,	36 32
"    No. 17, July 12, supplies, N. A. Small,	7 86
Requisition No. 18, July 18, mixed order,	59 15
"    No. 19, July 20, M. R. Bridge,	294 94
"    No. 20, July 26,   "    "	23 95
"    No. 21, Aug. 6, mixed order,	275 81
"    No. 22, Aug. 19, Sinking Fund bal- ances 1906, \$789.29 ; balance mixed,	814 99
Requisition No. 23, Aug. 22, mixed order,	117 47

Requisition No. 24, Sept. 2, mixed order,	\$240 08
“ No. 25, Sept. 16, mixed order,	10 15
“ No. 26, Sept. 27, Richmond F. Hudson, new State Highway, \$4,305.46, balance mixed,	4,330 26
Requisition No. 27, Oct. 8, Mitchell River Bridge, \$965.83; balance mixed,	1,278 63
Requisition No. 28, Oct. 8, Richmond F. Hudson, new State Highway,	1,568 25
Requisition No. 29, Oct. 15, E. T. Bearse,	33 00
“ No. 30, Oct. 26, Richmond F. Hudson, new State Highway,	6,517 80
Requisition No. 31, Nov. 4, mixed order,	228 20
“ No. 32, Nov. 9, Richmond F. Hudson, new State Highway,	1,608 49
Requisition No. 33, Nov. 21, Mrs. Clarence Hammond,	12 00
Requisition No. 34, Nov. 22, R. F. Hudson, new State Highway,	3,000 00
Requisition No. 35, Nov. 22, mixed order,	83 00
“ No. 36, Dec. 2, mixed order,	333 16
Requisition No. 37, Dec. 13, mixed order,	139 36
“ No. 38, Dec. 28, mixed order,	548 94
“ No. 39, Dec. 31, mixed order,	417 97
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	\$28,826 79

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### TAXES.

Taxes as collected by Geo. H. Nickerson, Tax Collector, showing dates and amounts as paid to the Tréasurer, Alfred C. Harding, for the year ending Dec. 31, 1907 :

## TAXES 1905.

Jan. 10,	\$50 00	
April 11,	50 00	
April 25,	60 00	
June 6,	9 07	
	<hr/>	\$169 07

## TAXES 1906.

Jan. 10,	\$300 00
Jan. 17,	610 00
Jan. 31,	400 00
Feb. 14,	150 00
Feb. 28,	285 00
Mar. 7,	225 00
Mar. 28,	175 00
April 4,	60 00
May 2,	100 00
May 9,	50 00
May 23,	50 00
June 6,	125 00
June 20,	125 00
July 11,	250 00
July 18,	125 00
July 25,	150 00
Aug. 1,	135 00
Aug. 8,	250 00
Aug. 15,	140 00
Aug. 22,	200 00
Aug. 28,	225 00
Sept. 5,	200 00
Sept. 12,	100 00

Sept. 19,	\$200 00	
Oct. 3,	100 00	
Oct. 31,	210 00	
Dec. 26,	175 00	
Dec. 31,	32 71	
	<hr/>	\$5,147 71

Interest on taxes 1906,	\$110 57
“ “ “ 1905,	12 32
Taxes all collected and paid year 1906.	
Abatements year 1906 :	
On soldiers,	\$176 76
On others,	171 27
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	\$348 03

## TAXES 1907.

Sept. 5,	\$150 00	
Sept. 12,	550 00	
Sept. 19,	350 00	
Oct. 3,	550 00	
Oct. 10,	350 00	
Oct. 24,	550 00	
Nov. 7,	1,400 00	
Nov. 14,	400 00	
Nov. 21,	450 00	
Dec. 5,	800 00	
Dec. 12,	700 06	
Dec. 19,	799 94	
Dec. 26,	1,000 00	
Dec. 31,	1,000 00	
Taxes year 1907,	<hr/>	\$9,550 00

Taxes year 1907,	\$9,550 00
Taxes year 1906, all collected,	5,147 71
Taxes year 1905, all collected,	169 07
Interest year 1906, all collected,	110 57
Interest year 1905, all collected,	12 32
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Total collections, interest included,	\$14,989 67

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### MITCHELL RIVER BRIDGE.

Appropriated,	\$5,000 00
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Showing requisitions, dates and amounts as paid by Alfred C. Harding, Town Treasurer, year ending Dec. 31, 1907 :

Requisition No. 5, March 7, paid Seth W. Hammond, map and plan,	\$25 00
Requisition No. 6, April 1, paid E. R. Taylor Co., survey,	25 00
Requisition No. 8, May 7, paid E. R. Taylor Co., contract on concrete work,	428 00
Requisition No. 8, May 7, paid T. S. Arey, contract wood work,	72 00
Requisition No. 10, May 28, paid E. R. Taylor Co.,	1,700 00
Requisition No. 10, May 28, paid E. R. Taylor Co., galv. iron railing,	364 40
Requisition No. 10, May 28, paid T. S. Arey,	832 63
“ No. 12, June 22, “ H. A. Harding,	1 68



Requisition No. 12, June 22, paid E. T. Bearse, advertising,	\$1 40
Requisition No. 12, June 22, paid D. W. Nickerson, passage to Boston,	7 00
Requisition No. 12, June 22, paid W. S. Bearse, labor,	4 50
Requisition No. 12, June 22, paid A. Z. Atkins, passage to Boston,	6 00
Requisition No. 12, June 22, paid E. R. Taylor Co.,	11 25
Requisition No. 15, July 2, paid J. F. Doane, carting stone,	167 91
Requisition No. 15, July 2, paid Zenas Nickerson's Sons, barrels,	7 65
Requisition No. 15, July 2, paid A. L. Hardy, freight,	6 89
Requisition No. 15, July 2, paid Zenas W. Hawes, carting gal. railing,	3 60
Requisition No. 18, July 18, paid Eldredge Bros., labor,	10 00
Requisition No. 19, July 20, paid E. R. Taylor Co.,	294 94
Requisition No. 20, July 26, paid C. A. Freeman, insurance,	4 50
Requisition No. 20, July 26, paid E. Y. Hammond, labor,	17 70
Requisition No. 20, July 26, paid Mrs. Eliza Hallett, stone,	1 75
Requisition No. 27, Oct. 7, paid Norris Batchelder, labor,	1 00
Requisition No. 27, Oct. 7, paid E. Y. Hammond, labor,	7 50

Requisition No. 27, Oct.	7, paid W. S.	
Bearse, labor,		\$12 62
Requisition No. 27, Oct.	7, paid J. E. Perry,	
ironwork,		1 20
Requisition No. 27, Oct.	7, paid A. W. Ham-	
mond, labor,		1 10
Requisition No. 27, Oct.	7, paid D. W. Nick-	
erson, two locks,		30
Requisition No. 27, Oct.	7, paid T. S. Arey,	942 11
Total Cost,		<hr/> \$4,959 63

## CREDIT.

May 23, by plank, sold by T. S. Arey,	\$13 25	
Oct. 9, " " and cement, sold by		
T. S. Arey,	5 50	
Oct. 9, by cement, sold by W. S.		
Bearse,	50	
	<hr/>	19 25
Actual cost as per vouchers,		<hr/> 4,940 38

## TREES.

Paid on account trees planted on State Highway leading to Harwich Centre :

Chas. R. Nickerson,	\$164 33
Abner Nickerson,	46 62

Walter Eldredge,	\$29 22
Everett Bassett,	11 22
Ernest K. Eldredge,	30 72
John H. Ryder,	53 78
Otis Howes,	7 33
Russell W. Gifford,	5 00
Herbert A. Nye,	19 28
Arthur Cahoon,	89
Willis Harding,	1 50
Albert G. Ryder,	1 95
Joseph H. Hawes,	55
Lewis A. Bearse,	90
James Young,	3 05
L. W. D. Eldredge,	45
C. W. Sherman,	60
Mrs. Eldora Eldredge,	2 00
N. E. Kendrick,	1 20
E. Y. Hammond,	12
Mrs. Abbie Briedenbach,	80
Osborn Nickerson,	3 05

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\$384 56

Assessed this year.

TABLE SHOWING REQUISITIONS, DATES AND AMOUNTS EXPENDED FOR ROADS, YEAR ENDING  
DECEMBER 31, 1907.

Requisition	Appropriations	\$800 00	General Repairs	\$125 00	Thayers Hill Road So called	\$1,200 00	\$330 57	A. H. Bearse Road	\$120 00	\$100 00	Side-walks	\$50 00	Bulkhead near Mrs. Mary Stuart	\$250 00	New stone Road So. road leading to St. Hwy Depot	\$455 00	Tink-ham's Ditch	\$250 00	\$25 00	Totals
1 April	2	\$45 79		\$75 28			\$250 00													\$371 07
2 April	9	60 99						\$78 00												138 99
3 May	8	72 50						32 16												72 50
4 June	5	201 29		46 00																233 45
5	5																			46 00
6	5	21 34																		21 34
7	25						80 57													80 57
8 July	2	75 50								\$31 50										107 00
9	10					\$707 20														707 20
10	12					150 00														150 00
11 Sept.	2					200 00														200 00
12	6	66 23										\$37 70								66 23
13	6																			37 70
14	6	33 54																		33 54
15	24																			217 76
16 Oct.	8													\$217 76						32 24
17	16					136 25														32 24
18 Nov.	6	119 28																		136 25
19	19																			119 28
20	21	13 00																		454 70
21 Dec.	30	90 52		3 72		6 55			7 50		68 50					\$454 70			\$25 00	13 00
		\$799 98		\$125 00	\$1,200 00	\$330 57	\$117 66	\$120 00	\$37 70	\$250 00	\$454 70	\$25 00	\$3,440 61							201 79

Total Appropriations, \$3,705.57; Total Expenditures, Unpaid Bills on Stone Road, South Chatham Depot:

\$28 46

John K. Kendrick, Jr.,

Reuben D. Kendrick,

Jonathan Eldredge,

12 29

6 07

\$46 82

\$3,440.61; Unexpended Balance, \$264.96.

## SCHOOLS.

Monthly payroll of School Teachers and Janitors for the  
Fall Term Year ending Dec. 31 :

## TEACHERS.

E. F. Cunningham, Principal High School,	\$100 00
Florence E. Engell,	40 00
Alice S. Furber,	40 00
Annie Slavin,	40 00
Susie Smith,	40 00
Carrie I. Taylor,	36 00
Edith Gregory,	32 00
Josephine Hawes,	24 00
Mamie Ryder,	24 00
Alice Smith,	36 00
Edith F. Eldredge,	28 00
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	\$440 00

## JANITORS.

Geo. C. Eldredge,	\$27 77 $\frac{7}{9}$
Harold Cahoon,	10 00
Josephine Hawes,	4 00
Mamie Ryder,	4 00
Edith F. Eldredge,	5 00
Alice Smith,	6 00
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	\$56 77 $\frac{7}{9}$

# Financial Statement and Comparison of Schools for the years ending Dec. 31, 1906-1907 :

RECEIPTS, 1906.		RECEIPTS, 1907.	
Town Appropriation,	\$5,571 68	Town Appropriation,	\$5,576 44
State Fund,	1,008 98	State Fund,	995 62
Dog Fund,	151 60	Dog Fund,	163 53
Superintendent,	458 33	Superintendent,	446 43
Grading High School grounds,	200 00	Transportation, special,	75 00
	<u>\$7,390 59</u>	Grading High School grounds,	100 00
			<u>\$7,357 02</u>
EXPENDITURES.		EXPENDITURES.	
Teachers' Wages,	\$4,068 08	Teachers' Wages,	\$3,968 30
Janitors' Wages,	563 11	Janitors' Wages,	537 85
Books and Supplies,	710 63	Books and Supplies,	414 57
Miscellaneous,	503 90	Miscellaneous,	429 04
Fuel,	368 38	Fuel,	399 02
Music and Drawing,	122 97	Music and Drawing,	194 61
Superintendent,	582 87	Superintendent,	561 90
Transportation,	33 33	Transportation,	192 00
Grading High School grounds,	200 00	Grading High School grounds,	100 00
Supervision,	225 00	Supervision,	225 00
	<u>7,378 27</u>		<u>7,022 29</u>
Unexpended Balance,	\$12 32	Unexpended Balance,	\$334 73

TABLE OF EXPENDITURES FOR SCHOOLS, YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1907.

Requisition	Teachers	Janitors	Books and Supplies	Miscellaneous	Fuel	Music and Drawing	Superintendent	Transportation	Grading High School Grounds	Supervision	Totals
1 Feb.	\$672 00	\$98 64	\$29 38	\$13 93		\$25 60	\$47 62	\$30 00		\$18 75	\$873 86
2 1				11 68		15 36	47 62	15 00		18 75	62 06
3 Mar.	336 00	49 32		27 95		15 36	47 62	15 00		18 75	493 73
4 26	327 66	49 32						24 00*			501 66
5 April											24 00
6 25	32 00	4 00									36 00
7 May	404 88	50 76	18 13	11 93		20 48	47 62	20 00		18 75	592 55
8 June	436 88	58 76		38 36	\$31 00	20 43	47 62	20 00		18 75	671 85
9 4								16 00*	\$96 00		112 00
10 28	436 88	56 76	20 59	29 74	3 87	20 48	47 62	20 00		18 75	654 69
11 July				4 75	168 25			8 00*	4 00		185 00
12 Aug.			27 12	7 90			47 62			18 75	101 39
13 Sept.				30 45	20 62		47 62			18 75	117 44
14 Oct.			5 00	97 48			47 62			18 75	168 85
15 16	50 00										50 00
16 Nov.	500 00	70 95	17 97	58 94		25 60	44 44	10 00*		18 75	746 65
17 Dec.	440 00	56 77	169 14	20 17		29 03	44 44	8 00*		18 75	786 30
18 19	332 00	42 57			47 40	22 22		6 00*			450 19
19 31			127 24	75 76	127 88		44 44			18 75	394 07
	\$3,968 30	\$537 85	\$414 57	\$429 04	\$399 02	\$194 61	\$561 90	\$192 00	\$100 00	\$225 00	\$7,022 29

Total Appropriations, \$7,357.02; Total Expenditures, \$7,022.29; Unexpended Balance, \$334.73.

\*Special



## FINANCIAL SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES.

BY THE AUDITOR.

PURPOSE	Appropriations year 1907	Expenditures 1907	Balance Unexpended 1907	Deficits 1907
Almshouse (no appropriation) Receipts.....	\$19 00		\$19 00	
Soldiers' Aid.....	210 00	\$199 00	11 00	
Outside Poor.....	1,400 00	1,826 69		\$426 69
Town Officers.....	1,300 00	1,303 39		3 39
Town Miscellaneous.....	500 00	485 18	14 82	
Macadam New, Leading N. Easterly from Thayers Hill, so called.....	1,200 00	1,200 00		
Macadam, New, Leading S. W. from Thayers Hill, so called, to New State Highway.....	455 00	454 70	30	
Macadam New, Leading South from South Chatham Depot, to State Highway.....	250 00	250 00		
Macadam, Old, Repairs.....	125 00	125 00		
Roads, General Repairs.....	800 00	799 98	02	
Sidewalks.....	100 00	100 00		
A. H. Bearse Road, new.....	120 00	117 66	2 34	
Bulkhead near Richard Tinkham's.....	250 00		250 00	
Bulkhead near Mary Stuart's.....	50 00	37 70	12 30	
Clock on Methodist Church.....	15 00		15 00	
Clock on Methodist Church, Special Appropria- tion.....	100 00		100 00	
Land Damage, Thayer's Hill, J. C. Ryder.....	25 00	25 00		
Mitchell River Bridge, new.....	5,000 00	4,959 63	40 37	
Care Town Hall Grounds.....	25 00	19 50	5 50	
Schools, Town Appropriation.....\$5,651 44				
State Fund.....995 62				
Dog Fund.....163 53				
Superintendent.....446 43				
Loans and Interest.....	950 00	1,114 07		164 07
Suppression of Crime and Illegal Sale of Liquor.....	50 00	57 26		7 26
Protection of Shell Fish.....	25 00		25 00	
Eldredge Public Library.....	100 00	100 00		
Military Aid.....	25 00		25 00	
Grading High School Grounds.....	100 00	100 00		
Insurance, Town's Buildings.....	75 00	87 90		12 90
Town Hall (no appropriation) Receipts.....	349 68	265 33	84 35	
Abatement of Taxes.....	160 00	348 03		188 03
Street Lamps, approaches to Town Hall.....	10 00	10 00		
Trees Planted on both sides State Highway from Town Hall to Harwich Line.....	385 00	384 56	44	
Clearing Snow.....	330 57	330 57		
O. E. Eldredge, services as Selectman, 1906.....	37 50	37 50		
Edgar Taylor, on account M. River Bridge, Special.....	10 00	10 00		
Transportation, on account Alfred Howard, Special.....	75 00	72 00	3 00	
N. A. Eldredge, Selectman, Supreme Court Case.....	142 64	142 64		
A. Z. Atkins, expenses on account Supreme Court Case.....	52 47	52 47		
Unpaid Bills, 1906.....	25 00	25 00		
	\$22,103 88	\$21,963 05	\$943 17	\$802 34

## STATE HIGHWAY.

Town of Chatham in account with the Massachusetts Highway Commission.

Paid to Mr. Richmond F. Hudson of Melrose, Mass., to whom was awarded the contract for the construction of the 1907 section of State Highway in the town of Chatham :

Sept. 27,	\$4,305 46
Oct. 8,	1,568 25
Oct. 30,	6,517 80
Nov. 9,	1,608 49
Nov. 22, Gift of Mr. Fisher Eldredge,	1,000 00
Nov. 22, Gift of Mr. S. M. Nickerson,	2,000 00
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	\$17,000 00

## FINANCIAL CONDITION OF TOWN.

## LIABILITIES.

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1907 :

Town's bonds,	\$4,000 00
Notes to Loveland Fund Trustees,	12,448 03
Note to C. C. F. C. S. Bank on account State Highway, to be reimbursed,	14,000 00
Notes to C. C. F. C. S. Bank on account S. C. Depot Road, Thayer's Hill Road,	705 00
Notes to C. C. F. C. S. Bank,	2,000 00
Unpaid bills S. C. Depot, new Stone Road,	46 82
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	\$33,199 85

## ASSETS.

## Assets Dec. 31, 1907 :

Balance 1907 tax,	\$5,340 08
310 shares C. R. R. Co., (estimated value)	10,850 00
Cash on hand in Treasury,	478 03
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	\$16,668 11

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. W. BLOOMER, *Auditor.*

## SINKING FUND.

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The total amount of Bonds issued by the Town in 1887, to raise funds with which to pay for the 310 shares of stock of the Chatham Railroad Company purchased by the Town was \$31,000.00, divided as follows: \$4,000.00 due in 1892, \$6,000.00 due in 1897, \$9,000.00 due in 1902, and \$12,000.00 due in 1907; all bearing interest at  $4\frac{1}{2}$  per cent.

The \$4,000.00 due in 1892 was refunded for 20 years at  $4\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. interest, and becomes due Sept. 1, 1912. The \$6,000.00 due in 1897 was paid by a loan from the Loveland Fund; the note therefor bears interest at 4 per cent. and was due Sept. 1, 1907. The \$9,000.00 due in 1902 was paid by a Sinking Fund, established in 1899, and the \$12,000.00 due in 1907 was paid by a Sinking Fund established in 1902. Summarizing, there still remains to be paid \$4,000.00, due Sept. 1, 1912, now in the form of bonds, and the \$6,000.00 note to the Loveland Fund now overdue.

## RECEIPTS.

Balance turned over from 1902 Sinking	
Fund to meet the \$12,000	
railroad bonds, coming due Sept.	
1st, 1907,	\$157 40
Town's appropriation, 1902,	1,000 00

Unexpended balance, vote of Town,	
1902,	\$394 13
Reimbursements, vote of Town, 1902,	201 05
Income, 1902,	12 52
Appropriation, vote of Town, 1903,	1,000 00
Unexpended balance, vote of Town,	
1903,	1,263 96
Income, 1903,	29 11
Appropriation, vote of Town, 1904,	1,000 00
Unexpended balance, vote of Town,	
1904,	837 22
Income, 1904,	69 65
Unexpended balance, vote of Town,	
1905,	1,085 79
Income, 1905,	121 93
Unexpended balance, vote of Town,	
1906,	789 29
Income, 1906,	191 59
Income, 1907,	138 60
Received from Trustees Loveland Fund	
by vote of Town, 1907,	3,821 22
	————— \$12,113 46

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### EXPENDITURES.

A. C. Harding, Treasurer's bond, 1903,	\$9 00
E. T. Bearse, unexpended balance	
schools, 1902,	32 56
H. A. Harding, expense, 1904,	25

Balance from Old Home Week, 1903,	
in the Treasury,	\$59 65
A. C. Harding, Treasurer's bond, 1904,	12 00
Deposited in National Shawmut Bank,	
Boston, for payment of bonds	
due Sept. 1st, 1907,	12,000 00
	<hr/> \$12,113 46

The amount of interest on this debt to Sept. 1st, 1907, is at  $4\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. simple interest about \$26,275.00.

MERITON E. NICKERSON,  
OLIVER E. ELDREDGE,  
HEMAN A. HARDING,

*Sinking Fund Commissioners.*

ALFRED C. HARDING, *Treasurer.*

Approved :

GEO. W. BLOOMER, *Auditor.*

## MITCHELL RIVER BRIDGE.

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### Report of Committee on Mitchell River Bridge :

As a committee elected at the annual town meeting, held Feb. 4th and 5th, 1907, to build a bridge, with concrete abutments at each end, and one hundred and ninety feet of wooden bridge, we submit the following report :

Your committee contracted with E. R. Taylor Co. for the building of the concrete abutments, and with Thomas S. Arey for the wooden part of the bridge, according to the plans as submitted by the engineer.

The amount appropriated by the town for this purpose was \$5,000, and the amount expended for the construction of the bridge was \$4,959.63.

For details see Auditor's report.

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL W. NICKERSON,

WILLIS S. BEARSE,

ALVIN Z. ATKINS.



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## TREASURER'S REPORT.

### RECEIPTS.

1907.

Hon. Marcellus Eldredge fund,	\$20,000 00
Eldredge fund,	5,000 00
Isaac H. Loveland fund,	1,000 00

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Principal of trust fund,	\$26,000 00
Cash on hand Jan. 1st, 1907,	\$225 19

#### Income :

Hon. Marcellus Eldredge		
fund,	\$753 07	
Eldredge fund,	200 00	
Isaac H. Loveland fund,	41 82	
Town of Chatham, appro-		
priation for 1907,	100 00	
Fine money,	17 67	
	<hr/> 1,112 56	
		<hr/> 1,337 75
		<hr/> \$27,337 75

## EXPENDITURES.

M. L. Hall's bill, oil,	\$12 12	
Freight and cartage,	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$14 12
John Briggs' bill,	\$6 20	
J. J. Howes' bill,	1 30	
D. Green's bill,	2 75	
L. Edwards' bill,	2 40	
J. W. Bachelder's bill,	7 00	
P. M. Dill's bill,	50	
D. A. Jones' bill,	8 65	
	<hr/>	28 80
C. Ellis' bill, coal and wood,		136 10
A. B. Franklin's bill, furnace,		115 93
S. Ward's bill, supplies,	\$2 96	
McGrath's bill, printing.	20 50	
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Union Safe Deposit Co.,		10 00
New England News Co.,		46 75
Boston Book Binding Co., binding books,	\$15 90	
C. W. Farcey's bill, binding books,	18 75	
C. E. Lauriat's bill, books,	71 28	
Rogers' bill, books,	12 00	
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Interest on bonds,		12 00
Librarian's salary,	\$312 00	
Janitor's salary,	250 00	
	<hr/>	562 00
Balance on hand,		270 66
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		\$1,337 75

## LIST OF INVESTMENTS.

Hon. Marcellus Eldredge fund :

North Avenue Savings Bank, Cambridge,	\$1,000 00
Cambridgeport Savings Bank, Cambridge,	1,000 00
Cambridge Savings Bank, Cambridge,	1,000 00
East Cambridge Savings Bank, Cambridge,	1,000 00
Sumner Savings Bank, East Boston,	1,000 00
Charlestown Savings Bank, Charlestown,	1,000 00
Warren Savings Bank, Charlestown,	1,000 00
Institution for Savings, Boston,	1,000 00
Franklin Savings Bank, Boston,	1,000 00
Home       "       "       "	500 00
Wildey     "       "       "	500 00
Eliot       "       "       "	1,000 00
Belmont   "       "     Belmont,	1,000 00
Dorchester "       "     Dorchester,	1,000 00
Arlington "       "     Arlington,	1,000 00
North End "       "     Boston,	1,000 00
Seaman's "       "     Provincetown,	1,000 00
Wellfleet "       "     Wellfleet,	1,000 00
Bass River "       "     South Yarmouth,	1,000 00
Boston Elevated Railway Bonds,	2,000 00
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	\$20,000 00
Eldredge fund, 5 United States Bonds, 1917,	5,000 00
Isaac H. Loveland fund, Cape Cod Five Cents	
Savings Bank, Harwich,	1,000 00
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	\$26,000 00

Respectfully submitted,

R. B. HARDING,

*Treasurer*

## CIRCULATION FOR 1907.

January . . . . .	553
February . . . . .	544
March . . . . .	661
April . . . . .	501
May . . . . .	430
June . . . . .	552
July . . . . .	1,162
August . . . . .	1,555
September . . . . .	682
October . . . . .	535
November . . . . .	552
December . . . . .	454
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Total circulation of books . . . . .	8,181
Total number of books on hand . . . . .	4,698

FLORENCE H. BOND,

*Librarian.*

# TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT.

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## RECEIPTS.

Cash in Treasury from 1906,	\$358 34	
“ from County Treasurer, Dog money refunded,	163 53	
“ “ Geo. S. Hall, account Supt. and Teachers reimbursed,	446 43	
	<hr/>	\$968 30
Cash from State Treasurer :		
Income Mass. School Fund,	\$995 62	
Acct. Corporation Tax,	261 19	
National Bank Tax,	1,362 51	
State Highway Loan Fund,	5,321 56	
State Aid,	776 00	
Temporary Aid,	4 10	
Compensation inspection animals,	20 00	
	<hr/>	8,740 98
Cape Cod Five Cents Savings Bank		
on notes for town purposes,	\$6,000 00	
Acct. M. R. Bridge,	5,000 00	
“ State Highway,	14,000 00	
“ Macadam road, South Chatham,	250 00	
“ To fill spaces, old harbor road,	455 00	
	<hr/>	25,705 00

H. Fisher Eldredge, Portsmouth, N.H.,	\$1,000 00	
Samuel M. Nickerson, Chicago,	2,000 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,000 00
Geo. H. Nickerson :		
Taxes of 1905,	\$169 07	
Interest,	12 32	
	<hr/>	\$181 39
Taxes 1906,	\$5,147 71	
Interest 1906,	110 57	
	<hr/>	5,258 28
Taxes of 1907,	9,550 00	
	<hr/>	14,989 67
Receipts Town Hall,	\$349 68	
"    Almshouse,	19 00	
"    Town of Middleboro, acct. of		
Oliver Ansphar (reimbursement)	135 00	
	<hr/>	503 68
T. S. Arey and W. S. Bearse, acct. M.		
R. Bridge,	\$19 25	
Meriton E. Nickerson, swamp sold,	12 50	
Cape Cod F. C. S. Bank, interest over-		
paid,	1 50	
Andrew H. Bearse, check returned,	5 16	
Lillian Young, check returned,	54 00	
Houghton, Mifflin & Co., check returned,	85	
R. A. Hopkins, case of Wendell El-		
dredge,	20 00	
	<hr/>	113 26
C. W. Kelley, auctioneer's license,	\$0 25	
E. T. Bearse, " "	25	
Jonathan Eldredge, " "	25	
O. E. Eldredge, " "	25	

T. H. Gill, auctioneer's license,	\$0 25	
E. E. Emery, billiard and pool license,	2 00	
Frederick Wilkey, billiard and pool license,	2 00	
J. F. Small, pedlar's license,	6 00	
Wilbur Crowell, " "	60	
Mary H. Howes, " "	6 00	
N. Y. & B. D. Ex. Co., license to trans- port liquors,	75	
	<hr/>	\$18 60
One voting list sold,		25
Income Loveland Fund,		648 35
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Total receipts for 1907,		\$54,688 09

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### EXPENDITURES.

Selectmen's town orders,	\$28,826 79	
Selectmen's school orders,	7,022 29	
Selectmen's road orders,	3,440 61	
	<hr/>	\$39,289 69
State Treasurer :		
State tax,	\$1,280 00	
Repairs state highway,	184 42	
	<hr/>	\$1,464 42
County Treasurer, county tax,	1,307 69	
	<hr/>	2,772 11
Cape Cod F. C. S. Bank on notes,		10,366 58
" " " interest on notes,		389 07
National Shawmut Bank, interest on bonds,		720 00



Care of bonds,	\$5 00
Jonathan Eldredge, case of Charles S. Train,	19 26
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Total expenses for the year 1907,	\$54,210 06
Cash on hand to balance,	478 03
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	\$54,688 09

ALFRED C. HARDING, *Treasurer.*

Approved:                      GEO. W. BLOOMER, *Auditor.*

# TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

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## BIRTHS.

Births registered in the Town of Chatham for the year 1907 :

- Feb. 8. A son, Vernon Francis Clark, to Edward Lion and Minnie Brown Clark.
- Feb. 9. A daughter, Evelyn Sears Taylor, to Herman and Bessie M. Taylor.
- Mar. 21. (Illegitimate).
- Mar. 27. A son, Merrill Taylor, to Alonzo Irving and Mercie Ella Doane.
- April 17. A son, Stephen Benjamin, to Charles Edson and Bertha Thomas Smith.
- May 14. A son, Edward Clyde, to Alonzo N. and Susie M. Eldredge.
- May 19. A son, Carroll Melville, to Arthur M. and Bessie J. Cahoon.
- May 20. A son, Charles Gerald, to Ernest and Ruth M. Marsh.
- June 24. A son, Benjamin Higginson, to Benjamin F. and Jessie O. Bassett.

- July 28. A daughter, Mabelle A., to Arthur K. and Isabella F. Baker.
- Aug. 15. A daughter, Doris Elizabeth, to Nathan E. and Helena D. Harding.
- Aug. 19. A son, Richard Allen Smith, to Richard E. and Rebecca D. Ryder.
- Sept. 3. A daughter, Hazel Cummings, to Silas R. and Mary E. Jerauld.
- Sept. 12. A daughter, Karolin Louise, to Edward and Bessie L. Thayer.
- Sept. 21. A son, Kenneth Cobb, to Willis H. and Bernice E. Nickerson.
- Sept. 23. A daughter, Evelyn Haynes, to Francis H. and Gertrude F. Bassett.
- Sept. 23. A son, Lewis Andrew, to Lewis S. and Mary A. Clark.
- Sept. 29. A daughter, Ruth Natalie, to Nathaniel A. and Ethel E. Eldredge.
- Oct. 24. A son, Edward Cadis, to Edward T. and Mary E. Pierce.
- Nov. 7. A son, Malcolm Frederic, to Robert W. and Carrie L. Robbins.
- Nov. 23. A son, Warren Eldredge, to Irving L. and Lizzie E. Wing.
- Nov. 27. A daughter, Evelyn Susan, to Sumner B. and Ellen A. Mayo.

Dec. 12. A daughter, Ella Taylor, to George F. and Abbie C. Nickerson.

Dec. 20. A daughter, Ruth Mentrom, to Chester H. and Harriet R. Small.

If the parents of the above-named children notice any errors or omissions kindly notify the Town Clerk on or before Feb. 25, 1908, and he will make all necessary corrections before the names are forwarded to the State House.

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## MARRIAGES.

Marriages recorded in the Town of Chatham for the year 1907 :

Jan. 22. Sumner Bradley Mayo of Chatham to Ellen Agnes Crowley of Medford.

Feb. 14. Heman Andrew Harding to Edith Crowell Farmer, both of Chatham.\*

Feb. 28. Joseph P. Sousa of East Boston to Grace Nye Eldredge of Chatham.

Mar. 9. Clarence Franklin Baker of South Yarmouth to Jennie La Verne Eldredge of Chatham.

Mar. 20. Levi W. D. Eldredge to Susan A. Bearse, both of South Chatham.

- Mar. 26. David Henry Clark of Chatham to Mary Jenkins Pierce of Dennis.
- April 5. Arthur R. Baker to Belle F. Bevins, both of Chatham.
- April 20. E. Irving Tripp to Edna Elizabeth Bassett, both of Chathamport.
- April 23. Arthur Emery Griffin of Chatham to Hattie Belle Long of South Orleans.
- May 4. Arthur Francis Folger of Chatham to Edith May Cropper of Providence, R. I.
- June 2. Abbott Lawrence Dill to Emma Frances Nickerson, both of Chatham.
- June 27. Benjamin Howard Buck to Marinda Bovee Gifford, both of Chatham.
- Aug. 7. George A. Howard of Rockport, Mass., to Effie M. Ryder of Chatham.
- Sept. 3. Cyrus Andrew Eldredge to Roxana Howes Gould, both of Chatham.
- Sept. 18. Franklin Crosby Dill to Elsie Gertrude Hammond, both of Chatham.
- Sept. 25. Orin Leon Smith of West Fitchburg, Mass., to Mary Wilmon Howes of South Chatham.
- Sept. 27. Horace Anthony Bird of New Bedford to Edith Freeman Sparrow of Chatham.
- Oct. 7. Henry L. White to Edith H. Spaulding, both of Mansfield, Mass.

- Oct. 8. James Franklin Quilty of Worcester to Eva Ella Snow of Chatham.
- Oct. 27. James Earl Richardson of Orleans to Sadie Isabel Chase of Chatham.
- Nov. 26. Samuel F. S. Ireland of Chatham to Edith Mildred Howard of Dennis.

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## DEATHS.

Deaths occurring in the Town of Chatham, 1907 :

			— AGE —		
			Y	M	D
Jan.	8.	Orrick S. Chase,	64	—	—
	19.	Lorenzo D. Buck,	73	9	14
Feb.	8.	Rebecca Hammond,	83	5	25
	12.	Washington Taylor,	86	5	
	24.	Thankful K. Nickerson,	81	4	
	26.	Silmon Chase,	69	8	
	27.	Harold Nickerson Reed,	18	1	
March	18.	Sarah Rose Hammond,	63		
	27.	Clarence A. Hammond,	29	9	
April	2.	Joseph F. Smalley,	58	9	
	19.	Stephen Benjamin Smith,	—	—	3
	29.	Martha J. Nickerson,	74	10	

			AGE		
			Y	M	D
June	5.	Harriet N. Loveland,	77		
	11.	Cordelia Smith,	73		
	17.	Amanda Kendrick,	86		
Sept.	19.	Emeline Dill,	80		
	21.	Jennie K. Adams,	55	6	
	29.	Infant, (Eldredge) three hours.			
Oct.	6.	Eunice R. Harding,	84	8	
	15.	Charles F. Freeman,	62	8	
	18.	Flora A. Ryder,	48	2	
	19.	Priscilla N. Stetson,	71	3	
Nov.	16.	Ella Taylor Nickerson,	24		
Dec.	17.	Asa W. Nickerson,	85		

Oct. 3, William F. Wyer died on train in the Town of Bourne. Burial at Hyannis.

Deaths occurring in other towns and burial in Chatham for the year 1907:

			AGE		
			Y	M	D
Feb.	26.	Zenas A. Nickerson,	53		21
Mar.	30.	Kingsbury S. Nickerson,	71		



## TOWN MEETINGS.

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ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, FEB. 4, 1907.

The first meeting for the election of Town Officers under the Australian ballot system, was called to order at 10 minutes past nine o'clock by the Town Clerk, who after reading a part of the Warrant aloud, called for the choice of a Moderator under Art. 1 by ballot and the use of check list. Whole number of ballots cast 14, all for Oscar C. Nickerson, who was declared elected, who after being duly sworn by the Town Clerk, proceeded to business.

Prayer by Rev. Charles Smith.

Article 2. Voted, That the rate for collecting taxes for the year 1907 be  $1\frac{1}{2}$  per cent., and the collector furnish his bond.

Voted to leave Article 3 and take up Article 4.

Article 4. Voted, That we accept the several Town Officers' report as a whole.

Appointed, E. Z. Ryder and Charles G. Watts, Ballot Clerks; B. L. Jones, Geo. N. Bearse, J. Clement Eldredge and Charles A. Howes, tellers, who were duly sworn to the faithful performance of their duties. The Town Clerk delivered to the ballot clerks 500 official ballots and 120 official ballots marked for School Committee only, making a total of 620, for which the clerks receipted for the same.

Article 3. Voted, To take up Article 3 and act thereon ; the ballot box was examined and declared empty and that the box registered nothing at the start. Voted, That no other Article be acted upon today except Article 3. Voted, That when this meeting adjourns that it adjourn until 9 o'clock on the morning of Feb. 5.

Voted, That the polls be kept open until 4 o'clock p. m.

Voted, That we now proceed to ballot.

At 2 o'clock p. m. it was voted to take 50 ballots from the box. They were audibly counted one by one by the moderator in presence of the clerks and tellers, who turned them over to the tellers to canvass the same.

At 3 o'clock 50 more were taken out ;

At 3.25 o'clock 50 more were taken out ;

At 4 o'clock voted to close the polls.

At 4.40 o'clock 50 more were taken out ;

At 5.20 o'clock, 50 were taken out ;

At 6.45 o'clock, 69 were taken out ;

Making a total of 319 ballots cast. All ballots were counted in the same manner as the first lot, the box registered at the close 236, making a difference of 83 between ballots cast and the box register. The Ballot Clerks returned to the Town Clerk 301 unused ballots, which makes the sum total with those cast of 620 which was the number delivered to them by the Town Clerk.

Elected, Alfred C. Harding, Treasurer for one (1) year.

Elected, Alfred C. Harding, Town Clerk for one (1) year.

Elected, Meriton E. Nickerson, Alvin Z. Atkins, Nathaniel A. Eldridge, Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor for one (1) year.

Elected, Benjamin H. Buck, School Committee for three (3) years.

			AGE		
			Y	M	D
April	8.	Jonathan O. Freeman,	63	9	7
	18.	Samuel A. Snow,	59	1	22
	19.	Sarah B. Nickerson,	66		
	19.	Hannah C. Atwood Ryder,	81		
May	6.	Henry W. Jackson,	58		
	6.	Henrietta R. Bailey,	61		
	26.	Marcus H. Higgins,	46		
June	5.	Arthur S. Hammond,	26	9	
	12.	Everett E. Bassett,	45	4	10
	24.	Mehitable A. Taylor,	77	10	17
	26.	Almira A. Young, (ashes)	47		
July	18.	Mary J. Harding,	85	4	19
Dec.	6.	Nelson Weston,	60	4	17

## DOGS.

Number of Dogs licensed in the Town of Chatham for the year 1907 :

Males, 64 at \$2.00 each,	\$128 00
Females, 9 at \$5.00 each,	45 00
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	\$173 00
Town Clerk's fees on 73 Dogs at 20 cents each,	14 60
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Remitted to County Treasurer,	\$158 40

Attest :

ALFRED C. HARDING,

*Town Clerk.*

Elected, Geo. W. Bloomer, Auditor for one (1) year.

Elected John K. Kendrick, Jr., Road Commissioner for three (3) years.

Elected, Geo. H. Nickerson, Collector of Taxes for one (1) year.

Elected, Augustus W. Baker, Constable for one (1) year.

Elected, Geo. B. Bassett, Tree Warden for one (1) year.

Elected, Oliver E. Eldredge, Sinking Fund Commissioner for three (3) years.

Shall license be granted for intoxicating liquors in this Town :

Yes, 33 ; No, 97.

The Moderator declared all the Town Officers elected who received the highest number of votes as read in open meeting by the Town Clerk from the above schedule. At 9.15 p. m., voted to adjourn.

Tuesday morning, Feb. 5.

Adjourned meeting called to order at 9.15.

Voted, To lay Articles 5 and 6 on the table.

Article 7. Voted, That the Collector of Taxes use all means of collecting the same, which a Town Treasurer when appointed Collector may use.

Article 8. Voted, To authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow a sum of money not exceeding \$6,000.00 in anticipation of taxes of 1907, and make the same payable from the taxes of 1907.

Voted, To drop the name of Oscar M. Gould from the list of jurors and to accept the list as revised.

Voted, To lay Article 10 on the table.

Article 11. Voted, To authorize the granting of eel and shell fish permits by any one member of the Board of Selectmen.

Article 12. Voted, That the Selectmen pay over to the Sinking Fund Commissioners all the balances of the several appropriations for 1907 unexpended on Dec. 31, 1907.

Articles 13, 14 and 15 concerning State Highway and State Road, etc., carried in the affirmative.

Articles 16 and 17. Tabled.

Article 18. Voted, \$250.00 to concrete the bulkhead near Richard Tinkham's.

Article 19. Voted, \$50.00 to repair the bulkhead near the residence of Mary Stuart.

Article 20. Voted, \$15.00 for the care of the Tower Clock.

Article 21. Elected, Daniel W. Nickerson, Heman A. Harding and Joshua A. Nickerson, committee Chatham Railroad Company.

Article 22. Tabled.

Article 23. Voted, \$1,200.00 for the grading and building of road at Thayer's Hill, (so called).

Voted, To take Article 16 from the table. Voted, \$5,000.00 for Mitchell's River Bridge.

Voted, To elect by ballot a special commission of three to have charge of building M. R. Bridge under Acts of 1906, Chapter 524, Sec. 23. Elected D. W. Nickerson, Willis S. Bearse and A. Z. Atkins. Voted, That for the purpose of constructing M. R. Bridge and the approaches thereto the Town borrow the sum of \$5,000.00 and authorize the issue therefor on negotiable bonds, notes or scrip bearing interest at a rate not to exceed  $4\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. per annum and payable \$1,000.00 in 1907, \$1,000.00 in 1908, \$1,000.00 in 1909, \$1,000.00 in 1910 and \$1,000.00 in 1911.

Voted, To take Article 5 from the table.

Voted, That we now raise such sums of money as may be deemed necessary to defray Town charges for 1907.

Voted for Outside Poor and Almshouse,	\$1,400 00
“ Town Officers,	1,300 00
“ Town Miscellaneous,	500 00
“ Interest,	950 00
“ Eldredge Public Library,	100 00
“ Abatement of Taxes,	160 00
“ Soldiers' Aid,	210 00
“ Suppression of Crime,	50 00
“ Protection of Shellfish,	25 00
“ State Aid,	800 00
“ Gipsy Moth,	50 00
“ Shipwrecked Sailors,	75 00
“ Insurance on Town buildings,	75 00
“ Military Aid,	25 00
“ Town Hall grounds,	25 00
“ General Repairs,	800 00
“ Sidewalks,	100 00
“ Repairs on Stone Road,	125 00
“ Snow,	250 00
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	\$7,020 00

Voted for Superintendent of Schools,	\$571 44
“ Supervision of Schools,	225 00
“ Teachers' Wages,	3,500 00
“ Janitors' Wages,	350 00
“ Books and Supplies,	250 00
“ Fuel,	250 00



Voted for Music and Drawing,	\$130 00
“    Miscellaneous,	250 00
“    Transportation,	50 00
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	\$5,576 44

Voted, \$37.50 for services of Oliver E. Eldredge as Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor from time he was recognized by other members of the Board of 1906 until court decided he was not a member thereof.

Voted, To take up Article 17.

Voted, To accept the road as laid out by the Road Commissioners on a petition of A. H. Barse and others, and raise and appropriate \$120.00 to carry the same into effect.

Article 6. Voted, That a man receive \$2.00 per day of nine hours and a horse receive \$1.50 for nine hours for repairing highways.

Article 10. Voted, That the Selectmen be instructed to control and regulate, or prohibit the taking of Eels, Clams, Quahaugs and Scallops in the Town of Chatham, and that they may grant permits prescribing the times and methods of taking eels and the shellfish mentioned within said town, and make such other regulations in regards to said fisheries as they may deem expedient.

Voted, To postpone Article 22.

Article 5. Voted, \$10.00 for Mr. E. R. Taylor account of M. R. Bridge.

Article 24. Voted, To authorize the Selectmen to sell a small piece of swamp mentioned in this article.

Article 25. Voted, \$10.00 for the purchase of two street lamps to be placed near the entrances of the Town Hall and the Janitor to care for the same.

Article 26. Voted, \$70.00 to be donated to the Cape

Cod Pilgrim Association of Provincetown to aid in erecting a monument to commemorate the first landing place of the Pilgrims, and \$30.00 to be put into a stone for the Town of Chatham in said monument.

Article 27. Voted, \$100.00 to finish grading High School grounds.

Article 28. Voted, \$75.00 for transportation and care of Alfred Howard's child from Harding's beach light house.

Voted, \$10.00 for the Moderator and \$5.00 for the Clerk for services at this meeting, and \$5.00 for the Janitor to clean up the hall.

Voted, That all Town Officers receive the same salary as for the last year.

Voted, \$10.00 for the Treasurer of the Sinking Fund for the year 1907.

Voted, To adjourn.

Attest :

ALFRED C. HARDING,

*Town Clerk.*

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## REGISTRARS' MEETING.

CHATHAM, MASS., Feb. 9, 1907.

The Registrars of Voters met at 1 o'clock p. m., on a petition of twelve legal voters and tax payers of said Town of Chatham, signed and duly sworn to by the same, requesting a recount of all ballots cast on Feb. 4, 1907, for Nathan-

iel A. Eldridge and Oliver E. Eldredge for Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor, and we do hereby certify that all the ballots cast on the above date for said officers have this day been carefully recounted by the aforesaid Board of Registrars for the Town of Chatham and that we find the following results :

Selectman, Nathaniel A. Eldridge received	177 votes
“ Oliver E. Eldredge “	177 “
Assessor of Taxes, Nathaniel A. Eldridge received	172 “
Assessor of Taxes, Oliver E. Eldredge received	166 “
Overseer of the Poor, Nathaniel A. Eldridge received	167 “
Overseer of the Poor, Oliver E. Eldredge received	165 “

And we recommend that the records of the meeting of Feb. 4, 1907, for the election of Selectmen, Assessors of Taxes and Overseers of the Poor, be amended to correspond with the above recount.

OSCAR E. HOWARD,  
GEO. H. NICKERSON, 2D,  
TIMOTHY K. STEARNS,

*Registrars of Voters.*

ALFRED C. HARDING,  
*Clerk of the Board.*

## TOWN MEETING.

CHATHAM, MASS., March 5, 1907.

Meeting called to order by the Town Clerk at 9.20 a. m.

Oscar C. Nickerson, Moderator.

Appointed ballot clerks, Levi W. D. Eldridge and Samuel G. Harding.

Tellers, Willis S. Bearse and Erastus T. Bearse.

The polls were opened at 9.30.

Proceeded to ballot for one Selectman. Eighty-seven ballots were cast, all for Nathaniel A. Eldridge, and he was declared elected.

Voted, To adjourn.

ALFRED C. HARDING,

*Town Clerk.*

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SPECIAL TOWN MEETING.

CHATHAM, June 22, 1907.

Meeting called to order by the Town Clerk at 8 o'clock, p. m.

Elected, Oscar C. Nickerson, Moderator.

Tellers appointed: Levi W. D. Eldridge and George H. Nickerson, 2d.

Article 2. Voted, That the Selectmen be and are hereby authorized and directed to contract with the Massachusetts

Highway Commissioners for the Town of Chatham to build a Macadam road from near the blacksmith shop of Eugene E. Cahoon at Station O and extending to the boundary line between Chatham and Harwich on Wading place Bridge, or station 165x1376, in accordance with the survey and plan made by the Massachusetts Highway Commissioners, and now on file at the office of the Selectmen, upon the express condition that the Massachusetts Highway Commissioners agree to reimburse the Town for the principal of the sum furnished by the Town before the end of the year 1910, and the sum of \$14,000.00 is hereby appropriated to carry the provisions of this vote into effect.

Voted, That we authorize and instruct the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow the sum of \$14,000.00 as may be needed in payment for the construction of the stone road (mentioned in Article 2) for a term not exceeding three years and give the notes of the Town therefor at a rate of interest not above 5 per cent. per annum.

Article 3. Voted, \$385.00 to pay for setting trees along the State highway.

Article 4. Voted, \$250.00 to build this road.

Voted, That the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, borrow the sum of \$250.00 on account of this road, and pay the same from the taxes of 1908.

Article 5. Voted, \$100.00 towards a new Tower Clock.

Article 6. Lost.

Article 7. Voted, That three Constables be elected for a term of one year hereafter at annual Town elections.

Article 8. Voted, \$142.64 to reimburse Nathaniel A. Eldridge for expenses incurred, deciding the Selectmen question.

Article 9. Voted \$113.60 to pay F. W. Bearse for setting lanterns at M. R. Bridge.

Article 10. Lost.

Article 11. Lost.

Article 12. Lost.

Article 13. Voted, \$80.57 for unpaid snow bills of 1906.

Article 14. Voted, \$25.00 to carry this motion into effect.

Article 15. Voted, \$25.00 for unpaid bills on general repairs year of 1906.

Voted, To authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow the sum of \$100.00 in anticipation of taxes of 1908 (for Tower Clock).

Voted, To adjourn.

ALFRED C. HARDING,

*Town Clerk.*

## SPECIAL TOWN MEETING.

CHATHAM, MASS., Aug. 19, 1907.

Special Town Meeting called to order at 8.15 o'clock.

Elected O. C. Nickerson, Moderator.

Article 2. Voted, To authorize and instruct the Treasurer of the Town, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow a sum not exceeding \$4,000.00 for the purpose of paying the balance unprovided for by the Sinking Fund of



\$12,000.00 of the Town Railroad Bonds coming due Sept. 1, 1907.

Article 3. Voted, That the Town authorize the Trustees of the Loveland Fund to loan a sum not exceeding \$4,000.00 to the Town of Chatham, for the purpose of paying Town Railroad Bonds coming due Sept. 1, 1907, without interest.

Article 4. Voted, \$52.47 for Mr. A. Z. Atkins as a reimbursement of the amount paid by him, relative to the election of Selectmen in the year 1906. (To be paid from taxes of 1908.)

Voted, To adjourn.

ALFRED C. HARDING,

*Town Clerk.*

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## SPECIAL TOWN MEETING.

CHATHAM, Sept. 10, 1907.

Meeting called to order at 8 o'clock by the Town Clerk.

Elected O. C. Nickerson, Moderator.

Article 2. Voted, \$500.00 for the purpose of building a sufficient amount of macadam road to fill the open spaces on Old Harbor road, with suitable approaches, together with the necessary catch basins at the junction at Cahoon's blacksmith shop and near the house of L. H. Loveland.

Voted, That the Selectmen issue proposals for the construction of said spaces in road and that the same be rolled by steam roller.



Voted, That a deposit of \$50.00 accompany each bid to the Selectmen.

Voted, That this road be built subject to the approval of the Road Commissioners.

Voted, That the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow the sum of \$500.00 to carry the previous motion into effect.

Voted, To adjourn.

ALFRED C. HARDING,

*Town Clerk.*

## SPECIAL TOWN MEETING.

CHATHAM, Sept. 19, 1907.

Meeting was called to order at 7.30 o'clock by A. Z. Atkins of the Board of Selectmen, A. C. Harding, the Town Clerk, being absent. Elected Osborn Nickerson, Clerk pro tem.

Elected, Oscar C. Nickerson, Moderator.

Article 2. Voted, That the petition of Lillian Young vs. the Inhabitants of Chatham be read at the meeting. The petition and order thereon was then read by the Clerk.

Mr. Rufus Eldredge asked of the Moderator the location of the Highway in question, and the amount allowed Mrs. Young for land damage and fencing. Mr. A. Z. Atkins replied that the Town had awarded \$30.00 for land damage

and \$24.00 for fencing. Mr. C. A. Freeman read a letter he had received from Mrs. Franklin K. Young, which read as follows :

Boston, Sept. 18, 1907.

Mr. C. A. FREEMAN, Chatham, Mass.,

Dear Sir : It is the desire of the Hon. Samuel L. Powers, counsel for Mrs. Lillian Young, that the enclosed statement be read by you at the Special Town Meeting at Chatham, Thursday evening, Sept. 19. Mr. Powers makes this statement in order that the voters may clearly understand the purpose of Mrs. Young's suit against the Town.

Very truly,

FRANKLIN YOUNG.

Statement : Mrs. Young is not seeking to make money out of the Town. If the Town were to vote to discontinue the highway she would much prefer that to her claim for damages and would release the Town from all claims for damages upon the discontinuance of the way. You may state this at the Town Meeting as showing her attitude in the matter.

After considerable debate, pro and con, it was voted, that the Selectmen be authorized and empowered to defend the Town on the appeal of Lillian Young in accordance with Article two of this meeting and employ counsel if they deem it necessary.

Voted, To adjourn.

Attest : OSBORN NICKERSON,

*Clerk pro tem.*

A true copy of Abstracts of the records of the above meeting.

Attest : ALFRED C. HARDING,

*Town Clerk.*

## TOWN MEETING.

CHATHAM, Nov. 18, 1907.

The meeting was called to order by the Town Clerk at 8.20 p. m.

Elected, Oscar C. Nickerson, Moderator.

Article 2. Voted, To authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow \$455.00 to pay for the building of the macadam road from Thayer's Hill south to the new macadam road that is being built to Wading Place Bridge and make the same payable from the taxes of 1908.

Voted, To adjourn.

ALFRED C. HARDING,

*Town Clerk.*

REPORTS  
OF THE  
SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
AND  
SUPERINTENDENT  
OF THE  
TOWN OF CHATHAM  
FOR THE YEAR  
1907.



CHATHAM MONITOR PRINT:  
E. T. BEARSE, MANAGER.  
1908.

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

E. T. BEARSE, Chairman,	Term expires Feb., 1908
E. Z. RYDER, Secretary,	“ “ 1909
B. H. BUCK,	“ “ 1910

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## SUPERINTENDENT.

FRANK H. HILL.

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## DISTRICT.

HARWICH, CHATHAM, ORLEANS, AND EASTHAM.

## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

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*To the School Committee of Chatham:*

GENTLEMEN: Following is my fifth annual report as superintendent of your schools:

There are several factors entering into the successful conduct of a school, the most important of which is the teacher. Given a teacher who has been well trained for her work professionally, who has had some experience and whose personality is strong and pleasing, and other things being fairly favorable, the work will be satisfactory. Looking at the qualifications of the teachers employed during the school year 1906-1907, I find that of the seventeen different teachers employed three had college training, eight normal training, two college and normal training, one kindergarten training and only three without previous professional training; and that thirteen of the seventeen had had experience.

The second factor is continuity of service. Other things being equal, the teacher who remains in a school throughout the year, can usually show better results than can be shown in a school which has had two or more teachers in the same time. There was a change of principals in the high school at the beginning of the spring term; the Chathamport primary school was discontinued at the end of the first term and consolidated with the North primary which had,

during the year, four different teachers; and the Atwood primary was interrupted by a change of teachers at the beginning of the winter term. The remaining schools continued with the same teachers throughout the year.

A third factor in the successful operation of a school is attendance. Children who are not present cannot be taught; and while the strong teacher certainly has a better attendance than the weak one, by reason of the interest she creates and the devices she employs to make school attractive, yet there are parents who are habitually careless and unappreciative of the opportunities their children are missing, with the result that many pupils, especially those under seven years of age in the primary grades and those over fourteen in the higher grades, are in school little more than half the time. It is of the utmost importance that children should attend regularly during the first years of their school life, otherwise they see their classmates who do attend regularly drawing away from them; they have to do so much work when in school in order to keep in their classes that school becomes distasteful to them; they lose the feeling that they are a part of the school and have a responsibility in its success, and so go through the entire course with irregularity and indifference; they lose many of the essentials in the very foundation of reading and language and number, as the teacher finds no time to repeat to the individual what is said so many times to the class as a whole; the opportunities for training are lost and much of their work becomes entirely memorizing.

Following is a table that is instructive as well as interesting:

Average number half-day absences in town, 32.

Average number in Chatham Grammar, 15; High, 19;



Intermediate, 27; North, 31; So. Grammar, 35; Atwood, 35; Village, 42; So. Primary, 45; West, 46.

The usual number of resignations took place during the summer vacation and we began the present school year with six new teachers. It is now too early to predict the result. Some schools have been weakened and some strengthened by the changes. The professional spirit is stronger than usual and the teachers are working with unusual zeal and enthusiasm.

There have been frequent opportunities for teachers to receive professional help, enthusiasm and inspiration. Following is a list of conventions and meetings held:

Nov. 1, 1906, State Institute at Hyannis.

Nov. 16, 1906, County Convention at Hyannis.

April 18, 1907, District Meeting at Harwich.

October 22, 1907, State Institute at Orleans.

A Visiting Day each term.

Teachers' Meetings one day each week.

The teachers are reading this year Hamilton's Recitation; a book intensely practical and suggestive, and dealing with those relations between teacher and pupil that are most intimate: in the recitation the minds of teacher and pupil touch; and here, if at all, the teacher exerts a positive, active influence for directing growth or retarding it. The meetings are held in the high school room and it is my purpose to be present as often as once a month.

I have supplemented the course of study followed in grades 1, 2, 3 and 4 in reading, number work and language, by a statement of the work in those subjects in detail, so as to leave little to conjecture and at the same time not to limit the individuality of the teacher in their presentation. I have asked teachers to plan each day's lessons in advance and to keep the same in a plan book designed for that pur-

pose. I believe that this not only leads to a clearer presentation of a subject but effects a great saving of time; as a thoughtful consideration, in advance, of how a subject is to be presented insures logical presentation, eliminates repetition and unnecessary explanations and strengthens both teacher and pupil, by leading the teacher to discover her own powers and limitations, and by teaching the child how to study.

The tendency of the education of today is to get away from purely scholastic, academic courses of study into courses where industrial work is recognized as a potent factor in intellectual and social development. Secretary Martin, of the State Board of Education says: "The idea is deep rooted that education consists of academic culture; that schools exist to promote this culture . . . . books, pictures, statuary and decorative plants are provided to cultivate and minister to the aesthetic sense of the children. The sense they do not cultivate is the dignity of manual industry . . . ." The subject of industrial education is being discussed at institutes and conventions, and wherever educators meet throughout the state. Already there is a law providing for the establishment of industrial schools, and steps are being taken to secure state aid for the establishment of industrial courses in public high schools. I hope the town of Chatham will be ready to meet the issue when it is presented.

Concluding, I wish to thank you for the interest you have taken in the work of the schools and for your assistance on many occasions.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK H. HILL,  
*Superintendent of Schools.*

Chatham, January 13, 1908.

ROLL OF HONOR.

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## Three Terms.

High School—Tyler Atwood, Mora Nickerson.

Chatham Grammar—Richard F. Slavin, Florence I. Grant,  
J. Clifton Martel, Beatrice L. Nick-  
erson.

Chatham Intermediate—Luther Tripp.

West Chatham Primary—Charlotte F. Cahoon, Mercie  
Young.

## Two Terms.

High School—Stanley Eldridge, Sherrill Atwood, Theo-  
dore Bearse, Matthias Slavin, Percy At-  
wood, Mercy Eldredge, Gertrude Berry,  
Gladys Berry, Edwin Nickerson.

North Chatham Primary—Spencer Loveland.

Chatham Grammar—Reuben T. Eldredge.

Chatham Intermediate—Rudolph Cahoon, Blanche Clif-  
ford, Isabelle Eldredge, Bath-  
sheba Howes, Barbara Howes,  
Estelle Atwood.

Atwood Primary—Pauline F. Gibson, Gladys Atwood,  
Kenneth Atwood.

West Chatham Primary—Bennie A. Buck, Charlie Young.

## One Term.

High School—George Bloomer, Preston Chase, Wyman Eldredge, Lawrence Nickerson, Henry Doane, Harold Gould, Ralph Bevins, James Clark, Mercy Eldredge, Gladys Houchin, Lucille Nickerson, Agnes Travers.

North Chatham Primary—Marion Bassett, Thomas Nickerson, Ella Bassett.

Chatham Grammar—Horace Bearse, Carrie E. Ryder, Eva M. Blount, Iva Z. Grant, Luciel R. Olson.

Chatham Intermediate—Josiah Chase, Doris Grant, Ziba Nickerson, Olive Ryder, Harold Ryder, Leslie Smith, Vernon Eldredge, Isaac Rogers, Lindal Rogers.

Village Primary—Mildred Bloomer, Ernestine Jones.

Atwood Primary—Howard F. Eldredge.

South Chatham Primary—Malcolm Chase, Paul Chase, Randall Cahoon.

South Chatham Grammar—Nellie Harding, Alice Tuttle, Genevieve Tuttle, Beulah Bearse.

# STATISTICS, SCHOOL YEAR 1906-1907.

Name of School.	Teacher.	Where Educated.	Enrollment	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Percentage of Attendance	Half Day Absences	Tardy Marks	Dismissals	Visits by School Officials	Visits by Others
Chatham High	Robt Cushman Jr 2 terms Wm. J. Nutter, 1 t cm. Bertha M. Stratton Eva M. Sherman	Dartmouth & Bridgewater Harvard Bates College Boston Univ'ty & Hyannis	70	65.80	62.18	94.63	1280	524	26	14	0
Chathamport Primary	Lura P. Stokes	Harwich High	7*	33.33	32.66	97.90	493	41	23	25	38
Chatham VII and VIII	Annie Slavin	Hyannis Normal	36	41.60	38.30	92.10	1134	33	5	26	27
Chatham V and VI	Susan G. Smith	New Britain Normal	44	18.10	15.41	85.10	772	234	27	28	128
Village Primary	Edith F. Eldredge	Chatham High	20								
Atwood Primary	Effie M. Ryder, 1 term	Summer School									
West Primary	Caroline Taylor, 2 terms	Hyannis Normal	34	31.52	27.87	90.62	1124	164	18	32	193
South Primary	Roxana Gould	Summer School	16	12.80	11.53	90.10	591	93	10	14	110
South Grammar	Mary W. Howes	Hyannis Normal	21	19.00	16.50	88.04	868	91	1	16	78
North Primary	Alice W. Smith	Chatham High	21	19.00	16.87	88.76	669	189	20	18	57
	Kathryn Slavin	Hyannis Normal									
	Bianche Baker	Miss Wheelock's Kin'gtn	9	13.53	12.48	91.49	392	38	2	19	25
	Gertrude M. Clark	Johnson, Vt., Normal									
	Edna M. Hammond	Emerson College									
Totals			278	254.68	233.80	90.97	7323	1413	132	192	656

\*Chathamport Primary discontinued Nov. 23, 1906, and consolidated with North Primary.

## CHATHAM HIGH SCHOOL,

*Town Hall, Thursday, June 27th, 1907, at 8 p. m.*

## PROGRAM.

Music.

Prayer.

Music.

Fairyland Waltz . . . . . School Chorus

Class Motto "By our own efforts, we win" Harold Leroy Cahoon

Class History . . . . . Preston Leigh Chase

Immigration Problem in the United States, Wyman Sears Eldredge

Music.

Class Prophecy . . . . . Viola M. Olson

Three American Inventors . . . . . George Tyler Atwood

Class Poem . . . . . Gertrude Mary Slavin

"Out on the Deep" . . . . . School Chorus

The Advance of Electricity . George Washington Bloomer, Jr.

Presentation of Gifts . . . . . Lewis Burnell Kendrick

What Joan of Arc means to France .

Words of Farewell . . . . . Orin Stanley Eldredge

Music.

Presentation of Diplomas.

Class Ode.

# SCHOOL COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

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## FINANCIAL REPORT.

Financial statement for year ending Dec. 31, 1907 :

### RECEIPTS.

Town appropriations,	\$5,576.44	
Dog fund,	163.53	
State school fund,	995.62	
Superintendent fund,	446.43	
	<hr/>	\$7,182.02

### EXPENDITURES.

Requisitions drawn,	\$6,850.29	
	<hr/>	\$331.73
Town appropriation (special) for grading High school grounds,	\$100.00	
Amount expended,	\$100.00	
Special appropriation for transportation for Alfred A. Howard's girl,	\$75.00	
Amount expended,	72.00	
	<hr/>	\$3.00
Balance forward,		\$3.00



Brought forward,	\$3.00
Balance from school appropriations,	331.73
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Total balance unexpended,	\$334.73

Respectfully submitted,

ERASTUS T. BEARSE,  
B. H. BUCK,  
E. Z. RYDER,

*School Committee.*

I have this day examined the foregoing accounts and find them correct and supported with proper vouchers.

GEO. W. BLOOMER,

*Auditor.*

Chatham, January 6th, 1908.

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### ESTIMATES FOR SCHOOLS FOR YEAR 1908.

Superintendent,	\$533.28
Supervision,	225.00
Teachers,	3,500.00
Janitors,	350.00
Books and supplies,	250.00
Fuel,	250.00
Music and drawing,	130.00
Miscellaneous,	250.00
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	\$5,488.28

# WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, 1908.

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Art. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Art. 2. To fix the rate for the collection of taxes for the ensuing year.

Art. 3. To bring in their votes all on one ballot for Town Clerk for one year, Treasurer for one year, Three men to serve as Selectmen for the term of one year, Three Assessors, one for the term of three years, one for the term of two years, and one for the term of one year, Three Overseers of Poor for one year, One Tax Collector for one year, One School Committeeman for three years, One Road Commissioner, for three years, Three Constables for one year, One Auditor for one year, One Tree Warden for one year. Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?

Art. 4. To hear the reports of the several Town officers and committees, and act thereon.

Art. 5. To raise such sums of money as may be considered necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year, and appropriate the same to the several departments.

Art. 6. To determine the manner of repairing the highways for the ensuing year.

Art. 7. To see if the town will authorize the Collector of Taxes to use all means of collecting the same which a Town Treasurer, when appointed Collector, may use.

Art. 8. To see if the Town will authorize its Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow a sum of money not exceeding \$6,000.00 in anticipation of taxes, and make the same payable from the taxes of the present year.

Art. 9. To authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow during the municipal year beginning Feb. 1, 1908, in anticipation of the collection of taxes of said year such sums of money as may be necessary for the current expenses of the Town, but not exceeding the total tax levy for said year, giving the notes of the Town therefor, payable within one year from the dates thereof. All debts incurred under authority of this vote shall be paid from the taxes of the present municipal year.

Art. 10. To see if the Town will accept the list of Jurors as revised by the Selectmen.

Art. 11. To see what action the Town will take with reference to its eel, shell and other fisheries.

Art. 12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the granting of eel and shell fish permits by any one member of the Board of Selectmen.

Art. 13. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Sinking Fund to meet the \$4,000.00 of Town's bonds on account of purchase of stock in Chatham Railroad Company coming due Sept. 1, 1912. (By request.)

Art. 14. To see if the Town will vote to elect three commissioners of the Sinking Fund to meet the Town's

Railroad Bonds becoming due Sept. 1, 1912. One for three years, one for two years, and one for one year. (By request.)

Art. 15. To see if the Town will vote to direct the Selectmen to pay over to the Sinking Fund Commission, to meet the Town's Railroad Bonds becoming due Sept. 1, 1912, the balances of the several appropriations for 1907 unexpended Dec. 31, 1907. (By request.)

Art. 16. To see if the Town will vote to direct the Selectmen to pay over to the Sinking Fund Commission, to meet the Town Railroad Bond becoming due Sept. 1, 1912, the balances of the several appropriations for 1908 unexpended Dec. 31, 1908. (By request.)

Art. 17. To see if the Town will vote to authorize and instruct the Board of Selectmen to represent the shares of stock owned by the Town in the Chatham Railroad Company, at all meetings of said Company. (By request.)

Art. 18. To see if the Town will, under the provisions of Chap. 221 of the Acts of the year 1886, or in accordance with any other law it thereto enabling, vote to elect or appoint a committee, and to authorize and empower the said committee to represent the Town at all meetings of the corporation of the Chatham Railroad Company, and to vote upon all the shares of the capital stock of the corporation owned by the Town. And to take any other action relative thereto as to the said Town may seem fit and proper. (By request.)

Art. 19. To see if the Town will vote to stop the digging of claims to sell from May 1st to Nov. 1st. (By request.)

Art. 20. To see if the Town will vote to provide some

suitable place as a dumping ground and make an appropriation for the same. (By request.)

Art. 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in a celebration on 4th of July day, 1908, and make such other arrangements as may be necessary to carry the subject matter of this article into effect. (By request.)

Art. 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five dollars for the benefit of the South Chatham Public Library. (By request.)

Art. 23. To see if the Town will vote to have its Selectmen serve as Trustees of the "Isaac H. Loveland Fund," according to the provisions of the will of the late Isaac H. Loveland, and to authorize that the Probate Court be petitioned to that effect. (By request.)

Art. 24. To see what action the Town will take with reference to the building of stone roads for the ensuing year and make all necessary appropriations for the same.

Art. 25. To see what action the Town will take, if any, in reference to heating the Town Hall building and make an appropriation for the same.

Art. 26. To see if the Town will vote to fix the road leading from Mr. Andrew H. Bearse's corner, southerly past the residence of Mr. Stephen W. Reynolds' house and make an appropriation for the same.

Art. 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money to repair or macadam and put in order the Town road called "Sea View Street," leading from the Soldiers' monument, easterly across the boulevard road to the shore. (By request.)



Art. 28. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a Town road the road leading from near Ziba Nickerson's store to the shore, by request of Simeon F. Ryder and Franklin E. Hamilton.

Art. 29. To see if the Town will vote to macadam, or harden and improve the street known as Holway street, leading from Main to the shore, and make an appropriation for the same. (By request.)

Art. 30. To see what action the Town will take in regard to transporting the daughter of Alfred Howard and the young daughter of the lady residing with Mr. Franklin B. Nickerson of Chathamport to and from their respective homes to the schools designated for them to attend, and make such appropriations as may be necessary to carry the same into effect. (By request of the School Committee )

Art. 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for the transportation of children from South Chatham to the High School. (By request.)

Art. 32. To see if the Town will vote to use the unexpended balances of the year 1907, now in the Treasury, to reduce the tax levy for the year 1908. (By request.)

Art. 33. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to contract with some suitable person to have the care of the tower clock in the tower of the M. E. Church for the year 1908, and raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money to pay for the same. (By request.)

Art. 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00, to be expended in equal

amounts to repair the Eldridge and Nickerson Neck roads from the new macadam road eastward. (By request.)

MERITON E. NICKERSON,  
ALVIN Z. ATKINS,

*Selectmen of Chatham.*











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